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Applicant: Ronald B. Foster

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For: Planar Substrate-Based Fuel Cell Membrane Electrode Assembly and Integrated Circuitry

**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL (37 CFR 1.102(c) and MPEP 708.02)**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to make the above-referenced application special for examination purposes pursuant to 37 CFR§1.102(c) and MPEP 708.02 because it is believed that the invention may materially contribute to the development or conservation of energy resources and/or enhance the quality of the environment.

Respectfully submitted

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